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## II. AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert before "Field of Invention" and after "Background of the Invention" the following paragraph:

[000.9] The present application is a continuation application of and claims priority to U.S.

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entitled "Method and Apparatus for Purchased Product Security," which is a continuation-in-part application of and claims priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/851,804, filed January 2, 1996, now abandoned, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Purchased Product Security."

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